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For : HIGH-FIDELITY DNA SEQUENCING USING SOLID
PHASE CAPTURABLE DIDEXOYNUCLEOTIDES AND MASS
SPECTROMETRY

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May 23, 2005

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

This Petition is submitted in connection with the Final Office Action issued November 23, 2004 by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the November 23, 2004 Office Action was due February 23, 2005. Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time. The fee for a three month extension of time for a small entity is FIVE HUNDRED TEN DOLLARS (\$510.00), and a check including this amount is enclosed. Applicants have previously established small entity status. With a three month extension of time a response is now due May 23, 2005. Accordingly, the accompanying Request for Continued Examination is being timely filed.

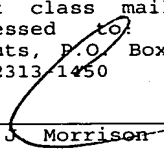
If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorneys invite the Examiner to telephone them at the number provided below.

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\$395.00 RCE filing fee and \$510.00 fee for a three month extension of time, is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Petition. If any other fee is required, however, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of such fee to Deposit Account No. 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	
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